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U.S. Patent 3,936,990 to Garrison, Jr. deceased et al., "Ceiling Panel Trim Mounting Means," discloses suspended ceiling construction in which the usual grid members are provided, having exposed surfaces which are to be covered by trim bodies, said bodies being connected to the members by the clips of the invention which interengage with the grid members and are connected to the bodies by inserting interlocking elements of said clips into suitable recesses formed in the bodies.

U.S. Patent 3,950,916 to Kasprzak, "Ceiling Panel Suspension System Clip," discloses a unique clip which can be formed by the extrusion of plastic material and cut in strips and can be used in a wide variety of positions to support suspension members for ceiling panels.

U.S. Patent 4,117,642 to Eckert et al., "Ceiling Panel Attachment Clip," discloses a clip structure for fastening a specific type of ceiling panel to a specific type of support structure.

U.S. Patent 4,251,972 to Interlante, "Interior Ceiling Panel Support," discloses an interior ceiling panel support member which is used in building structure having purlins with raised toes.

U.S. Patent Des. 421,897 to Washecheck et al., "Ceiling Panel Hold Down Clip," discloses a ceiling panel hold down clip.

U.S. Patent 4,437,287 to Halfaker, "Ceiling Panel," discloses a ceiling comprised of rectangular metal ceiling panels each having a perforate face panel and an imperforate back panel spaced from one another.

U.S. Patent 4,480,360 to Brugman et al., "Clip for Wall or Ceiling Panel Structure," discloses a clip for mounting a wall or ceiling panel structure having a plurality of panels in which the panels have inturned rims on their longitudinal edges and preferably beads on the rims.

U.S. Patent 4,580,382 to Judkins et al., "Ceiling Panel Attachment Member," discloses an improved ceiling attachment member for attaching flanged ceiling panels having flanges along both lateral edges thereof to a ceiling structure to form a ceiling.

U.S. Patent 4,599,831 to Magaha, Jr., "Ceiling Panel Security Clip Device," discloses a device for securing ceiling panels to a T-bar support in which two clips are provided.

U.S. Patent 4,781,005 to Rijnders, "Ceiling Panel Carrier Adapter Member," discloses an adapter for use with a support grid for ceiling elements.

U.S. Patent 4,858,409 to Handley et al., "Ceiling Panel Assembly," discloses an assembly which includes a support member having a panel support portion for supporting the ceiling panel along its length.

U.S. Patent 4,884,383 to Rijnders, "Ceiling Panel Carrier Adapter Member," discloses an adapter for use with a support grid for ceiling elements.

U.S. Patent 4,951,443 to Caferro, "Ceiling Panel and T-Rail Mounting Assembly," discloses a panel and clip construction for suspending or for mounting the panel to a conventional T-rail support grid.

U.S. Patent 5,191,743 to Gailey, "Concealing Trim Cap Assembly for a Wall or Ceiling Panel System," discloses a concealing trim assembly for a wall or ceiling panel system.

U.S. Patent 5,202,174 to Capaul, "Lay-In Ceiling Panel," discloses a lay-in ceiling panel structure, comprising a glass fiber ply, a gypsum board, and a highly perforated vinyl lamina.

U.S. Patent 5,253,463 to Witmyer, "Safety Mechanism for a Kerfed Ceiling Panel," discloses a safety mechanism which will act to provide a security device which will prevent a kerfed ceiling panel from falling to the floor if the panel is disengaged from the grid system due to improper installation, seismic event, or other reasons.

U.S. Patent 5,428,930 to Bagley et al., "Concealed Grid Ceiling Panel System," discloses a concealed suspension ceiling system which advantageously uses a "T" bar grid network used for lay-in ceiling panels.

U.S. Patent 5,507,125 to McClure, "Ceiling Panel with Stiffly Flexible Edges, and Ceiling," discloses a plastic ceiling panel mounted in a grid of T-rails with stiffly flexible sidewalls.

U.S. Patent 5,535,566 to Wilson et al., "Concealed Grid Ceiling Panel System," discloses a concealed suspension ceiling system which advantageously uses a "T" bar grid network used for lay-in ceiling panels.

U.S. Patent 5,878,541 to Gruber, "Ceiling Construction and Ceiling Panel," discloses a ceiling construction, especially for a large area shuttering construction for reinforced concrete ceilings, laterally abutting to each other.

U.S. Patent 6,079,177 to Halchuck, "Removable Ceiling Panel Assembly," discloses a ceiling panel assembly which connects directly to ceiling joists.

U.S. Patent 6,108,994 to Bodine, "Ceiling Panel," discloses a ceiling panel that conceals the grid in a suspended ceiling, having opposed active first and second edges with profiles different from one another, and opposed passive edges.

U.S. Patent 6,155,764 to Russo, "Support for Wearing on the Torso and Supporting and Raising a Ceiling Panel," discloses a support for wearing on the torso and supporting and raising a ceiling panel.

U.S. Patent 6,205,733 to LaLonde, "Direct Mount Ceiling Panel Grid System," discloses a direct mount ceiling grid system comprising a plurality of base grid members, cross grid members, and channel grid members for mounting ceiling panels close to a mounting surface.

U.S. Patent 6,230,463 to Bodine, "Ceiling Panel," discloses a ceiling panel that conceals the grid in a suspended ceiling.

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U.S. Patent 6,467,228 to Wendt et al., "Hinged Ceiling Panel," discloses a hinged ceiling panel, which is pivotally attached to a suspended ceiling grid structure to provide for a hinged ceiling panel that pivots to allow access to the areas above the grid.

U.S. Patent 6,499,262 to Pinchot et al., "Ceiling Panel," discloses an acoustical panel assembly for a suspended ceiling comprising a rigid frame, sound absorbing material, sound transmission attenuation material and a face fabric.

Sincerely,

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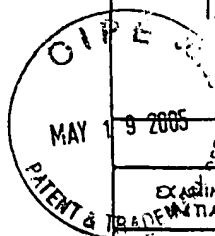
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